Attempt to resolve Ayodhya dispute

†1117. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has tried to resolve Ram-Janam Bhoomi dispute of Ayodhya out of court through dialogues between both the parties;

(b) if so, the details of the parties whose representatives have been included in the dialogue;

(c) whether Government has prepared any proposal as a base for dialogue; and

(d) if so, the details of the draft of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) The Government is firmly of the view that the Ayodhya dispute can be resolved, either through mutual agreement among all the parties concerned, or through the verdict of the judiciary. Therefore, pending judicial verdict, the Government will continue to facilitate all attempts at an amicable and speedy resolution of the dispute.

Stringent punishment for rape and sexual abuse

1118. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the' Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Law Commission in its 172nd Report recommended for incorporation of new provisions in criminal laws to provide stringent punishment for offences of rape and sexual abuse of children;

(b) if so, the details therefor and what are the other major recommendation's made by the Commission;

(c) whether the Law Commission has also suggested for higher

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